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SUBJECT: UNFP NATIONAL COUNCIL TO MEET

1. UNFP/RABAT SOURCES HAVE INFORMED US THAT PARTY'S NATIONAL COUNCIL WILL MEET ON SEPT 15. SOURCES SAID THAT ABDALLAH IBRAHIM AND MAHJOUB BEN SEDDIK WOULD NOT BE INVOLVED AND ADDED THAT MEETING WOULD BE FIRST IN "OVER A YEAR". THUS, IT IS EVIDENT THAT ONLY RABAT GROUP IS INVOLVED. THIS WILL BE FIRST FORMAL MEETING GROUP HAS HAD SINCE IT WAS SUSPENDED IN WAKE OF 1973 DISORDERS. THOUGH SUSPENSION EXPIRED IN LATE 1973, RABAT GROUP'S OFFICES REMAINED SEALED SHUT AND GROUP WAS GIVEN TO UNDERSTAND THAT IT SHOULD NOT ENGAGE IN POLITICAL ACTIVITY. ONLY SIGN OF CHANGE PRIOR TO DECISION TO HOLD MEETING WAS UNFP LEADER'S RECENT STATEMENT TO US THAT RABAT GROUP WOULD HOLD CONGRESS IN NOVEMBER.

2. MEETING, THOUGH UNPUBLICIZED SO FAR, IS ALMOST SURELY BEING HELD WITH GOVERNMENT CONSENT AND THUS REPRESENTS ANOTHER MAJOR GESTURE TOWARDS UNFP/RABAT. GATHERING WILL BE SANDWICHED BETWEEN ISTIQLAL CONGRESS AND KING'S PRESS CONFERENCE, AND IT MAY BE THAT GROUP IS CONSIDERING WHETHER TO ADOPT POLICY OF GENERAL COOPERATION WITH PALACE. ONE OF SOURCES JUST MENTIONED CLAIMED THAT ISTIQLAL HAD ALREADY DECIDED TO GO THIS ROUTE.

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3. CASABLANCA GROUP'S ISOLATION FROM RECENT POLITICAL

ACTIVITY IS APPARENT. WEEKLY POLITICAL GOSSIP SHEET PUBLISHED  
IN RABAT REPORTED IN RECENT EDITION THAT ABDALLAH IBRAHIM  
HAD "ABDICATED" HIS LEADERSHIP ROLE, PAVING WAY FOR FORMATION  
OF NEW POLITICAL GROUPING MODELLED ON FRENCH SOCIALIST PARTY.  
THOUGH SOURCES REFUSED COMMENT ON THIS STORY, THEY WERE  
STRONGER THAN USUAL IN THEIR ASSERTIONS THAT UNFP/RABAT  
LEADERSHIP NOW REPRESENTED ENTIRE PARTY.  
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